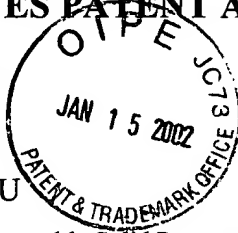


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In accordance with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. 1.97(d):

Accompanying this transmittal is a statement, as specified in 37 C.F.R. 1.97(e).

Applicant hereby petitions for the consideration of the accompanying information disclosure statement 37 C.F.R. 1.97(d)(2).

An authorization to charge the Deposit Account the petition fee set forth in §1.17(i) (\$130.00) accompanies this petition.

Respectfully submitted,

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